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## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled AN ELECTRICALLY OPERATED VALVE FOR CONTROLLING FLOW OF HYDRAULIC FLUID, the specification of which (check one)

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) specifically referred to above.

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